

REMARKS

Claims 21-31 are pending in this application.

In the Office Action, the Examiner requested insertion of the U.S. patent number of a parent application in the Cross Reference to Related Applications. Applicant has amended the specification to add the requested information.

The Examiner provisionally rejected claims 21-31 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting. In response, without conceding the correctness of his assertion, but solely to advance the prosecution of the present application, Applicant is submitting herewith a Terminal Disclaimer. Withdrawal of the provisional double patenting rejection is respectfully requested.

Based upon the above amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application and its earlier allowance. Should the Examiner feel that a telephone conference with Applicant's attorney would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is urged to contact him at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,


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